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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1-6. canceled.
7. (currently amended) A method for dispensing drops into an eye of a patient, said method comprising:
 - aligning a squeeze bottle axially with a bridge of a patient's nose;
 - dispensing a drop in an axial direction toward the bridge; ~~[[and]]~~
 - laterally channeling the drop ~~so that it is dropped into an~~ toward a structure comprising a recess; and
 - falling the drop within the recess toward the eye of the patient.
8. (Original) A method as in claim 7, wherein the drop is channeled into an inner corner of the eye.
9. (Original) A method as in claim 7, wherein aligning comprises resting a cross member attached to the squeeze bottle on the patient's nose bridge.
10. (Original) A method as in claim 9, wherein laterally channeling comprises diverting the drop through a lumen in the cross member wherein a terminal end of the cross-member is disposed over the eye.
11. (new) The method of claim 7 further comprising falling the drop from a nozzle to an inner wall of the recess.
12. (new) The method of claim 11 further comprising directing the drop to fall along a downward slopped surface of the inner the wall toward the eye after the drop falls from the nozzle.
13. (new) The method of claim 12 further comprising landing the drop on an inner corner of the patient's eye.

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14. (new) The method of claim 11 further comprising falling the drop without support between the nozzle and the inner wall.

15. (new) A method for dispensing drops into an eye of a patient, said method comprising:

aligning a squeeze bottle axially with a bridge of a patient's nose;
dispensing a liquid in an axial direction toward the bridge;
laterally channeling the liquid toward a structure comprising a recess;
passing the liquid through a nozzle to form a drop of liquid; and
falling the drop within the recess from the nozzle toward the eye of the patient.

16. (new) The method of claim 15 wherein the drop falls from the nozzle and to inner wall of the recess.

17. (new) The method of claim 16 further comprising directing the drop to fall along a downward sloped surface of the inner wall toward the eye after the drop falls from the nozzle.

18. (new) The method of claim 17 further comprising landing the drop in an inner corner of the patient's eye.

19. (new) The method of claim 15 further comprising falling the drop without support between the nozzle and the inner wall.